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Title	INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS AND INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD
Express Mail Label No.	EL630584655US

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

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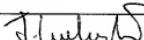
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